

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A porous polyester film comprising a fine porous layer (Layer A) having a ratio of the number of voids to film thickness of not less than ~~0.20~~ 0.30 void/ $\mu\text{m}$ .
2. (Original) The porous polyester film of claim 1, comprising a polyester layer (Layer B) containing white pigment particles in a proportion of 5 – 45 wt% of the layer, which is laminated on either or both surfaces of Layer A by coextrusion.
3. (Previously presented) The porous polyester film of claim 1, wherein the film has an apparent specific gravity of the entire film of not more than 1.25.
4. (Previously presented) The porous polyester film of claim 1, wherein the film has an apparent specific gravity of the entire film of not less than 0.85.
5. (Previously presented) The porous polyester film of claim 2, wherein a surface of Layer B has a dynamic hardness of not more than  $5.0 \text{ gf}/\mu\text{m}^2$ .
6. (Original) The porous polyester film of claim 2, wherein the surface of Layer B has a  $60^\circ$  specular glossiness of not less than 20%.
7. (Original) The porous polyester film of claim 1, wherein Layer A comprises a thermoplastic resin incompatible with the polyester resin.
8. (Original) The porous polyester film of claim 7, wherein the incompatible thermoplastic resin is a polystyrene resin.

9. (Original) The porous polyester film of claim 7, wherein the incompatible thermoplastic resin comprises a polystyrene resin and a polyolefin resin.

10. (Currently Amended) The porous polyester film of claim 9, wherein a ~~main~~ major component of the polyolefin resin is a polymethylpentene resin.

11. (Currently Amended) The porous polyester film of claim 9, wherein a melt viscosity  $\eta_o$  of a ~~main~~ major component of the polyolefin resin and a melt viscosity  $\eta_s$  of the polystyrene resin satisfy the following formula (I)

$$\eta_o/\eta_s \leq 0.8 \quad (I)$$

12. (Original) The porous polyester film of claim 2, wherein the white pigment particle is titanium oxide.

13. (Original) The porous polyester film of claim 10, wherein the incompatible thermoplastic resin content satisfies the following formulas (III) and (IV)

$$0.01 \leq Ps/Po \leq 1.0 \quad (III)$$

$$2 \leq Pt \leq 15 \quad (IV)$$

wherein Po and Ps are each a content (unit: wt%) of polymethylpentene resin and polystyrene resin relative to the film as a whole, and Pt is a content (unit: wt%) of the incompatible thermoplastic resins relative to the film as a whole.

14. (Original) The porous polyester film of claim 1, wherein Layer A does not comprise polyethylene glycol or a derivative thereof.

15. (Currently Amended) The porous polyester film of claim 1, which has a spectral reflectance to a light having a wavelength of 450 nm of not less than 98%.

16. (Currently Amended) The porous polyester film of claim 1, wherein an absolute value of the difference in spectral reflectance between one surface and the other surface of the film, to a light having a wavelength of 450 nm is less than 6.0%.

17. (Original) The porous polyester film of claim 1, wherein Layer A has a white pigment particle content of not more than 5 wt%.

18. (Cancelled)

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20. (Currently Amended) The porous polyester film of claim 1, further comprising a release layer ~~mainly~~ substantially comprising a curable silicone resin on at least one surface of the film.

21. (Original) The porous polyester film of claim 1, which is made from a composition comprising the polyester resin and a thermoplastic resin incompatible with the polyester resin, wherein the film contains a number of voids formed by the incompatible thermoplastic resin dispersed in the polyester resin in a fine particle state, the polyester resin satisfies the following (a), and the film satisfies the following (b) and (c):

(a) cyclic trimer content (wt%): not more than 0.5 wt% of the entire film

(b) apparent specific gravity: 0.95 - 1.30 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

(c) retention of elongation after heat treatment (140°C×1000 hours): not less than 20% in both the longitudinal direction and transverse direction of the film.

22. (Cancelled)